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<u>RESPONSE</u>

Applicants now respond to the Office Action mailed October 1, 2001. The period for reply has been extended five (5) months by the Petition for a Five Month Extension of Time and fee payment filed concurrently herewith.

REMARKS

Claims 58-68 and 75-95 are pending in the application.

Restriction/Election Requirement

The Examiner restricted the invention to one of eight different groups under 35

U.S.C. § 121. See Office Action of October 1, 2001 at pages 2 to 5.

Applicants elect Group I, claims 58 and 84.

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